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THE WEATHER

Oregon—Showers tonight or Tuesday north, fair south portion, cooler except near coast.

MILWAUKEE-SPOKANE-ASTORIA.

It is very difficult, at times, to be as patient as we need to be, in a civic sense, because of our inability to fathom the ends and purposes of those to whom we look for the things that shall lift us to the plane of commercial progress and importance.

From the moment it became a public fact that Astoria & Columbia River Railroad had passed into the hands of the Hill interests, a new sense of opportunity and promise has possessed every thinking man in the community.

For what we can fathom from the superficial viewpoint, the Hill people are centering all their energies to closing the gap between Pasco and Spokane, on the "North Bank" road.

It is said this gap will be closed by the first of the year, or by March next. Then perhaps we shall begin to realize that we are not quite out of the running; that the brain that has devised this independent system of overland transportation has other potent plans for the terminals of such a line.

WHITE HOUSE DICKER.

Brer' Bryan and Brer' Kern have already divided the White House. Brer' Kern, he couldn't afford to run for the vice-presidency and was dubious of supporting the honor if it did happen to fall to him on the score of his income.

the White House in order to get his colleagues in line and cinch their acceptance of the various portfolios? One is appalled at the thought of conditions that will exist at the famous old home in such a case; of the congestion that will ensue; of the interminable questions of right and precedence, official and social; of the bickering and dickerings of the women folk, the rows and rumpuses of the kids; the confusion and overlapping of business and society; the inextricable uproar among the servants, and the utter demolition of the quiet and perfect methods that have been built up there for the past hundred years or more.

FIVE HUNDRED VOICES.

The Astoria Regatta for 1908 will be the best ever.

Not only are the marine sports to be amplified by some of the leading events and people engaged in making world's records in their particular lines, but many new and novel attractions, afloat and ashore, are to be introduced, and the whole program expanded to a point never before known in regatta history.

The superb success of the Scandinavian Sangerfest of last year is to be repeated and exceeded. All of the societies constituting this splendid institution have entered the lists and their five hundred voices will be heard in some of the most magnificent work they have yet done in this country; all the best of the soloists and instrumentalists of the Northwest are being negotiated for, and Dr. Emil Enna has been chosen to lead the whole affair.

The Astoria Regatta is becoming an acknowledged fixture among the annual events of the North Pacific country, and this year's contribution to its history will fasten it permanently and ineffaceably in the pleasant chronicles, where it belongs.

The City of the Three Rivers. The city is generally considered to be very fortunate that possesses a river, but Khartum croons and waxes over three of the greatest rivers of the world. From the troublesome magic of the Bar-el-Gazel and its wild grass, from the hot confines of the equator, the White Nile fetches its milky waters from the more mountainous of Abyssinia and through the fast of that savage country the Nile flows to Sudan. Created in this fashion and seeming to have rushed down south rather than it does run northward, the Egyptian Nile is formed and in return touches the city only to take its course again to the sea.

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\$1.00 Silk Gloves, Monday only .69
\$1.50 Silk Gloves, Monday only .93
\$2.00 Silk Gloves, Monday only 1.29
15c Black Hose, Monday only 7 1/2c
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HONOLULU, July 13.—Honolulu has completed all arrangements for the entertainment of the Atlantic battleship fleet and awaits the coming of the fighting ships with the greatest interest and most pleasing anticipations.

By universal consent July 16, the day on which the fleet is scheduled to arrive will be made a complete holiday and all business will be suspended. Thousands of persons from all parts of the territory will assemble on Diamond Head and along the other heights and points of vantage south-east of Honolulu to witness the spectacle of the approaching men of war.

The fleet will proceed past the leper settlement on the island of Molokai to see the ships as they steam slowly by. Soon after Molokai has been dropped astern, the warships should come in sight of the crowds on Diamond Head, providing the weather is clear, and from then on for the last twenty miles of its long journey from the homeland, the whole fleet will be visible to the cheering multitudes lining the heights.

From early morning on the day of the coming of the big ships, the crowds will be scrambling up the bluffs straining their eyes across the blue water to the southeast to catch the first glimpse of the smoke cloud that tells of the approach of the fleet still hull down over the horizon.

Daylight fireworks will also play a large part in the festivities when the fleet departs and from the time of its coming to the day it leaves for Australia, Honolulu will be decorated with bunting and lights as never before in its history.

The entertainment committee has scheduled numberless excursions to all places of interest and the men of the fleet will be overwhelmed with opportunities to see the island during their stay. There will be trips to Pearl Harbor and to the sugar plantations and pine apple regions of Muamand Pali and to all other points of scenic and other interest.

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